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## APPENDIX II.

[Vide answer to the starred question No. 1124 asked by Sri N. Marudachalam at the meeting of the Legislative Assembly held on 28th March 1961 page 243 supra.]

*A.*—Scholarships from the Harijan Welfare Department are not granted from the commencement of the financial year, i.e., from 1st April, as presumed by the Member but from the commencement of the academic year, i.e., only from June–July. After receipt of applications, all the particulars furnished in the applications have to be carefully checked up in order to eliminate ineligible and spurious cases. In cases where there are omissions of particulars or doubts about income, etc , further particulars have to be called for either from the students or from the institutions or Collectors of districts. This process necessarily entails time- During the current year 95,7ʻ9 applications were received by the District Welfare Officers and the Director of Harijan Welfare from the Scheduled Caste students studying in various courses. Out of this 39,329 applicants have been sanctioned scholarships till 22nd November 1960 as detailed below:—

| *Name of the district.* | *Number of applications received.* | | | *Number of applications granted.* | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | *Fresh.* | *Renewal.* | *Total.* | *Fresh.* | *Renewal.* | *Total.* |
| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) |
| 1 Madurai .. .. | 4,990 | 2,612 | 7,602 | 817 | 2,607 | 3,424 |
| 2 Ramanathapuram. | 1,947 | 1,078 | 3,025 | 22 | 1,052 | 1,074 |
| 3 North Arcot .. | 5,363 | 2,001 | 7,364 | 949 | 1,846 | 2,795 |
| 4 Coimbatore .. | 6,494 | 1,563 | 8,057 | 2,000 | 1,562 | 3,562 |
| 5 Kanyakumari .. | 12,058 | 4,210 | 16,268 | .. | 1,015 | 1,015 |
| 6 Tiruchirappalli .. | 5,062 | 3,354 | 8,416 | 476 | 3,124 | 3,600 |
| 7 South Arcot .. | 2,973 | 1,465 | 4,438 | 2,505 | 1,433 | 3,938 |
| 8 The Nilgiris .. | 708 | 926 | 1,634 | 7 | 334 | 341 |
| 9 Salem .. .. | 6,993 | 3,408 | 10,401 | .. | 2,661 | 2,661 |
| 10 Chingleput .. | 4,492 | 1,570 | 6,062 | 15 | 488 | 503 |
| 11 Thanjavur .. | 2,335 | 1,309 | 3,644 | 2,187 | 1,309 | 3,496 |
| 12 Tirunelveli .. | 4,521 | 3,840 | 8,361 | 4,475 | 1,311 | 5,786 |
| 13 Madras .. .. | 7,271 | 3,246 | 10,517 | 4,086 | 3,048 | 7,134 |
| Total .. | 65,207 | 30,582 | 95,789 | 17,539 | 21,790 | 39,329 |

It is not therefore correct to say that scholarships were not granted till 22nd November 1960. The sanction of scholarships in the remaining cases is in progress.